

SENATE RESOLUTION
8687

By Senators Brown, Fraser and McCaslin

WHEREAS, Judge James "Ben" McInturff, former Washington State Court of Appeals judge for more than 20 years, grew up in Spokane, Washington; and

WHEREAS, Judge McInturff graduated from Gonzaga University, the University of Washington, and Gonzaga University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, The crippling disease of polio was contracted by the persistent and strong-willed Judge McInturff during his patriotic service in the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Judge McInturff was appointed Spokane County District Judge in 1953 after several years of private law practice; and

WHEREAS, With other attorneys, Judge McInturff created a program that provides legal assistance to those who cannot afford it; and

WHEREAS, Judge McInturff received the notable titles of 1987 President of the Legal Foundation in Washington and the 1980 "Boss of the Year" award by the Spokane Legal Secretaries Association; and

WHEREAS, According to an article in *The Spokesman-Review*, Judge McInturff, during a hospital visit in 1980, inspired quadriplegic Holly Caudill to "Get up and get on with life," and later had the pleasure of swearing her in as an Assistant United States Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Judge McInturff strongly sponsored and promoted the March of Dimes and the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS, Judge McInturff retired from the Court of Appeals in 1988, where he is remembered for his outstanding public service and judgment; and

WHEREAS, Judge McInturff passed away on May 11, 2006, leaving behind his loving wife, Betty McInturff;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate commemorate Judge "Ben" McInturff's accomplishments and contributions to Washington state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Washington State Senate, Betty McInturff, the Washington State Court of Appeals, and *The Spokesman-Review*.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8687,
adopted by the Senate
April 20, 2007

THOMAS HOEMANN
Secretary of the Senate